

## **Minutes of the Public Works Committee - July 28, 2005**

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chair Manke. Supervisor Behrend led the committee with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Present:** Chair Richard Manke, County Board Supervisors James Behrend, Peter Gundrum, James Jeskewitz, Karl Nilson (arrived at 8:39 a.m.), Rodell Singert, David Swan

**Staff Present:** Legislative Policy Advisor Mark Mader, Legis. Associate Sandra Meisenheimer

**Also Present:** Public Works Director Rich Bolte, Senior Civil Engineers Paul Barthel and Kevin Yanny, Architectural Engineering Technician Mike Wells, Architectural Services Mgr. Dennis Cerreta, Clerk of Courts Carolyn Evenson

### **Public Comment**

Manke stated that John Schneider of the Town of Delafield sent a letter to Supervisor Swan (previously distributed) in regard to creating a quiet zone for the Highway KE train crossing. Schneider lives within one block of where the train goes through, and there are roughly 28 to 30 trains that use these tracks per day. Each time the train passes by the KE intersection, it must blow its horn four times, which equates to about 120 times per day. Since KE is a county road, he is asking that Waukesha County start the investigation process to see what costs it would take to make this intersection a “quiet zone”.

### **Discuss Citizen Request for a Train Crossing Quiet Zone of Highway KE in the Vicinity of Imperial Drive**

Behrend stated it is tough to get this type of thing in the budget. The most you would get from the county is permission to do it. He knows there are a number of communities on the train line that would like to quiet the train, namely the Village of Hartland, Village of Oconomowoc Lake, City of Oconomowoc, and Village of Pewaukee. He suggested that John Schneider contact the Village of Oconomowoc Lake. Bolte stated it does involve a county highway, and there is a study that would have to be completed.

### **Consider Proposed Ordinance: 160-O-036 Modify Capital Project 200410, Courtroom Remodel – Phase II**

Bolte and Evenson were present. **Motion:** Jeskewitz moved, second by Behrend, to approve Ordinance 160-O-036. Bolte explained the ordinance, which is a project currently underway to remodel three courtrooms, two of which have been finished. In the process of working with the Clerk of Courts staff, it came to his attention that the item – furniture, which is a common item in a remodeling project, is simply not listed. The ordinance adds “furniture” to the project scope and description for Project 200410. It doesn’t add any money because there is money in the project available for furniture. **Motion carried 7 – 0.**

### **Consider Proposed Ordinance: 160-O-033 Parking Regulation – CTH Y**

**Motion:** Jeskewitz moved, second by Gundrum, to approve Ordinance 160-O-033. Barthel stated that there are problems along Barker Road right in front of Fox Brook Park with people parking on the road so as to avoid paying for entrance fees into the park. The City of Brookfield also believes parking on Barker Road is a safety hazard so they’ve been temporarily posting it during the summer months for the past three years. Now they are asking the county to put a permanent “no parking zone” to help save the man-hours to post the temporary signs. Nilson said he would be voting against this because he is against charging people to use the county parks in the first place. Manke said 30% from revenues is needed to support the park system but he also is concerned with safety. **Motion carried 5 – 2; Nilson and Singert voting no.**

**Consider Proposed Ordinance: 160-O-034 Laying Out, Relocation and Improvement of County Trunk Highway L, Waukesha County Project, Project I.D. 01-2380(12) - Pilak Creek Culvert and Approaches, City of Muskego, Waukesha County**

Yanny and Barthel were present. A colored map of the area was distributed. Yanny stated that this is for right of way acquisitions for the replacement of a box culvert on CTH "L".

**Motion:** Behrend moved, second by Gundrum, to approve Ordinance 160-O-034. Nilson asked were there any objections from residents in the area? Yanny said there is the bigger issue of the remainder of Highway L, which he has been involved in, but there are those who do not feel that any future widening is needed. Gundrum said the road is very busy and hard to get across. It is dangerous and definitely needs to be widened. **Motion carried 7 – 0.**

**Consider Proposed Ordinance: 160-O-035 Sale of Excess Right of Way – Parcel 55, CTH J / STH 164 Pewaukee Road**

**Motion:** Singert moved, second by Swan, to approve Ordinance 160-O-035. Barthel distributed copies of a letter from Harlan Clinkenbeard, City Planner for the City of Pewaukee, and a colored map of the area. Yanny explained the ordinance, which authorizes the sale of excess right of way associated with the former Highway J (now known as State Highway 164) reconstruction project. The land to be sold is a buildable parcel of 2.47 acres. It is expected to be sold at fair market value. Singert asked for clarification from the City of Pewaukee as to exactly what multi-family housing means with respect to the zoning category. **Motion carried 7 – 0.**

**Correspondence**

Letter from Russell Launder regarding his concerns relative to Scott Jensen's proposal to merge UW-Waukesha as a four-year satellite of UW-Milwaukee, and its negative effect on the residents of Waukesha County.

**Approve Minutes of July 7, 2005**

**Motion:** Singert moved, second by Swan, to approve the minutes of 7/7/05. **Motion carried 7 – 0.**

**Report by Committee Member Attending Airport Commission Meeting of 7/13/05**

No one attended the meeting. The commission minutes of 6/22/05 were distributed previously.

**Executive Committee Report by Chair Manke for Meeting of 7/11/05**

Manke reviewed items that were discussed and/or considered at the last meeting on July 11.

**Motion to adjourn:** Jeskewitz moved, second by Singert, to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 a.m.  
**Motion carried 7 – 0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Rodell L. Singert  
Secretary

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